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4-H ABA EXTRAVAGANZA WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

Approximately 20 Glenn County 4-H members participated in the annual 4-H ABA (Anything But Animals) Extravaganza, which included the Food Fiesta, Creative Arts & Skills Day, ABA Judging Day, Interview Contest and Presentations. This event was held Saturday, March 27, 2022, at C.K. Price Middle School, reports Glenn County 4-H Community Education Specialist, Christine Kampmann.

The adult chair for the event was Marci Sanchez, Key Leader of the Schaffert 4-H Club and the youth chair for the event was Hannah Cloyd of the Schaffert 4-H Club. The youth committee members were: Kate Goss, Emma Rodgers, and Gracie Cloyd of the Schaffert 4-H Club. The adult committee members were: Jamie Marron and Meghan Rogers of the Schaffert 4-H Club and Abby Alves of the Willows 4-H Club and the Glenn County 4-H Council ABA Vice President.

The 4-H members brought wonderful food dishes, beautifully crafted centerpieces, and displays to be evaluated at the Food Fiesta event. Each member was also required to set a proper table setting and provide a nutritionally balanced menu with a sample of an item from their menu. All the primary members (5-8 years old) who received participation ribbons and certificates for the Food Fiesta were: Kate Goss, Emma Rodgers, and Rylee Dobbs – Schaffert 4-H Club. Food Fiesta Junior Division Gold Medal winner was Mellanie van Tol – Schaffert 4-H Club. The members also had an option to compete in the Creative Arts and Skills event where they made an educational display, on an item they made in a

4-H project and explained the process of how the item was made. The Educational Display Junior Division Gold Medal winner was Megan Lohse of the Clover 4-H Club and the Intermediate Division Gold Medal winner was Adrianna Hurlburt of the Willows 4-H Club.

4-H Members also judged a variety of 4-H Anything, but Animal topics such as including 4-H basic, safety, sewing, leadership, cooking, sports shooting, and finances, within their age division. The judging is a process to help 4-H members grow in their abilities to think, reason, and make logical and scientific judgments. Members then orally present reasons to an evaluator. All the primary members who received participation ribbons and certificates for the ABA Judging were: Kate Goss, Emma Rodgers, and Rylee Dobbs of the Schaffert 4-H Club; and Grace Hobbs and Jackson Pool of the Willows 4-H Club.

ABA Judging Junior Division winners were Mellanie van Tol of the Schaffert 4-H Club – 1st place; Danica Pool of the Willows 4-H Club – 2nd place; and Megan Lohse of the Clover 4-H Club – 3rd place. ABA Judging Intermediate Division winners were Maddisen Pool of the Willows 4-H Club – 1st place and Adrianna Hurlburt of the Willows 4-H Club – 2nd place. The ABA Judging Senior Division winner was Brooklynn Hobbs of the Willows 4-H Club – 1st place.

The third annual Interview Contest took place at the event as well. The youth had to select a job from the State 4-H designated job descriptions, create a resume and cover letter, and participate in a mock interview. Interview Contest Senior Division Gold Medal winner was Hannah Cloyd of the Schaffert 4-H Club.

Youth members were also given the option to present their presentations at the county level. The purpose of a 4-H presentation is to help 4-H youth learn how to research a subject, organize their ideas in a logical order and then communicate the idea by showing and/or telling. The presentations winning a Blue Medal were: Jonathon Enriquez and Valeni Enriquez of the Lake 4-H Club.

Thank you to the local businesses who donated food items as gifts for recipients and evaluators for the event. Those who made these donations for the dinner were: Knaughty Farms, Carrier Farms, Sierra Nevada Cheese, and Olivarez Honey Bees, Inc. A special thank you goes out to our evaluators who took time out of their busy schedules. The evaluators were: Elaine Gutierrez, Liz Wiseman, Cheryl Massa, Ken Sanchez, Gene Massa, and Sara van Tol. A big thank you is extended to all the community members, leaders, youth, and parents who helped with the ABA Extravaganza event.



Figure 1: 4-H member presenting her fabulous quilt.



Figure 2: Evaluators presenting 4-H members with gifts for Food Fiesta.

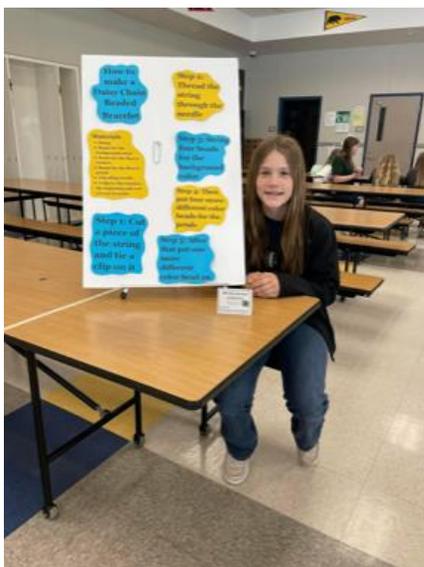


Figure 3: 4-H member with educational display explaining how to make a bracelet.



Figure 4: Senior member mentors younger members at ABA Judging.



Figure 5: Interview Contest 4-H member acknowledged for job well done by evaluators.

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